GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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MANUFACTURING OF JAGUARS BY H.A.L.
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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Indian Air Force placed an order with Hindustan Aeronautics Ltd. for manufacturing of 17 Jaguar deep penetration strike aircraft;

(b) if so, the time by which they are likely to be ready;

(c) the tentative cost of each of the aircraft alongwith its specification;

(d) whether Model Testing of the Aircraft has been already done; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES)

(a) to (c): Government have issued orders for the purchase of 17 twin-seater Jaguar aircraft by Indian Air Force from M/s Hindustan Aeronautics Ltd. at a tentative cost of Rs. 67.89 crores per aircraft. The aircraft are likely to be delivered between 2001-2002 to 2004-2005.

(d) & (e): This is a proven aircraft in the IAF and does not need model testing.